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## BIG MONEY FOR A VOTE

### Representative Lessler Was Offered \$5000 if He Would Favor the Holland Boats.

### DOBLIN TELLS HIS STORY

#### Says Quigg Made the Offer, but Accused Denies the Statement—More Evidence on Monday.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The naval committee of the house today resumed its investigation of the charges made by Representative Lessler of New York that he had been approached with an offer of money for his vote in committee. Philipp Doblin of New York was the first witness called, and the taking of his testimony covered the greater part of the forenoon session. He was followed by John McCullagh, superintendent of elections of New York. Lemuel E. Quigg testified at the afternoon session. At an executive session of the committee, held at the close of the hearing today, it was decided to call two witnesses Monday.

Quigg specifically denied that he had offered \$5000 for Lessler's vote, or that he had told Doblin that he would try to fix it so that there would be \$1000 in it for him (Doblin).

When Doblin was called, he said that he had no employment at present, but was employed by the republican committee during the campaign of 1902 and attended to the distribution of literature and that he also was a deputy in the office of superintendent of elections. He said he did what he could to aid in the election of Representative Lessler, whom he had known since 1894. Answering Representative Taylor, he said that he had been in politics for 12 years.

"I stood ready to serve Mr. Lessler in any way I could," he said, when asked as to his relations with Lessler, whose office he made his headquarters. Mr. Doblin said he had known Mr. Quigg since 1896.

"Did you have a talk with Mr. Quigg relative to Holland submarine boats?"

"Yes, sir."

"When was that?"

"Somewhere between the 10th and 15th of December."

"Where?"

"I received a telephone message asking me to come to 100 Broadway."

He had only seen Mr. Quigg once since the state convention up to that time. He went to Mr. Quigg's office, he continued, and went to lunch with him.

"Mr. Quigg wanted to know how Mr. Lessler and I were," he said, "and I told him I thought Mr. Lessler and I were quite intimate."

He said they talked over the question of building submarine boats. Mr. Quigg he added, was trying to get Mr. Lessler favorably disposed toward the bill.

Mr. Doblin detailed the further conversation he had with Mr. Quigg. He said:

"We talked over the Roberts bill that I understand is the name of the submarine boat bill. Mr. Quigg was anxious to get Mr. Lessler's friendly disposition toward the bill, and he said, after talking awhile, 'there is \$5000 in it.'"

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"Tell us, as near as you can, just what he said."

"He said he was not personally interested in this thing. He said, 'There is a friend of mine whom I desire to favor if I can. If I can get the aid I want there will be \$5000 in it.' Then he said, 'I think I can make it a thousand for you.' He said, 'He telephones me at 3 o'clock and I will let you know about that.'"

"For whom did he say there was \$5000 in it?"

"The man we were talking about. He did not use his name. At 3 o'clock I telephoned and was told 'that will be all right.'"

"Do you know who was on the other end of the telephone?"

"No, sir."

"Could you not tell by the voice?"

"No, sir."

"When did you see Mr. Lessler?"

"The following day."

"What occurred when you saw Mr. Lessler?"

"He was standing at his desk looking at his mail, and I asked him whether the submarine-boat business was going to come up again. He said it might. I said, 'I was sent for yesterday.' He said, 'By whom?' 'By Mr. Quigg.' I told him just what I—"

"What did you tell him? State just what you told him."

"I told him 'There would be \$5000 in this for you if you can see your way clear to be friendly to it.' He kind of said 'Humph, hump,' and laughed.

He threw his papers down and there was no more to it. He said, 'There is nothing in that.' He said, 'Quit.' I tried to talk and he said, 'Quit.' "And you quit?" "I quit; that is all." "Did you communicate this to Mr. Quigg?" "Yes, sir." "What did you say to him?" "I told him Mr. Lessler would not—it can't be done. I think that was the language used—'It can't be done.'"

Answering Representative Roberts, Mr. Doblin said Mr. McCullagh had never asked him to see Mr. Lessler in regard to submarine boats.

In explaining why he made a statement before the subcommittee, he said he supposed he was obliged to tell his story, and believed that what he said was to be held in confidence by the committee. He said he understood one of the members to have stated at that time that he must tell what he knew and added:

"You might as well have pulled a gun and said, 'Hands up.'"

Mr. McCullagh denied specifically Mr. Lessler's statement that he said he came to Washington on behalf of men who could defeat him (Lessler) for election, and that Lessler had replied to his request that he would see him (McCullagh) in hell first.

Mr. McCullagh said he had not in any way intimated to Mr. Lessler that his acts would in any way affect his election. He said he paid no attention to the presence of Mr. Lessler's secretary at the room in the hotel, and did not have any purpose in speaking in an undertone.

"I paid my way from New York to Washington," said he, and added that his visit to Mr. Lessler was purely a question of friendship for a friend of 25 years.

## IS OF THE WRONG COLOR.

### Senator McClaurin Explains the Opposition to Mrs. Cox.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The statehood bill was today, as usual, before the senate, but the admission of the territories was scarcely mentioned in the course of the day's proceedings.

Spooner afterwards discussed the president's action in discontinuing the postoffice at Indianola, Miss., and refusing to receive the resignation of the negro postmistress. He defended the president and was responded to by McClaurin of Mississippi, who said there had been no threats against Mrs. Cox, and who admitted that she was objectionable because of her color.

The session closed with the passage of a number of private pension bills.

## PASSED BY THE HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The house worked all day on the agricultural bill and finally passed it with only one amendment of moment—an increase of the appropriation for free seeds from \$270,000 to \$300,000. Adjournment was taken until tomorrow, when eulogies will be delivered on the late Representatives DeGraffenreid and Shepherd of Texas.

## HEAVY RAINSTORM RAGES.

### Traffic on Southern Pacific Blocked in Southern Oregon

Ashland, Jan. 24.—Southern Oregon is in the grip of the heaviest rainstorm and consequent flood of waters that has been experienced here in more than 10 years. Traffic on the Southern Pacific railroad is temporarily paralyzed through the Rogue river valley and across the Siskiyou mountains by slides and washouts. Two miles of track near Central Point are rendered unsafe by the raging waters, and slides and washouts, which trackmen are working hard to clear out, have occurred today at Wall Creek, near the summit of the Siskiyou.

## FLOOD AT BAKER CITY.

Baker City, Jan. 24.—Powder river threatens to overflow a portion of Baker City tonight. The gas works are in danger and men are out trying to save several bridges on some of the principal streets. The sudden raise in the river is due to warm rain, which has melted the snow in the mountains.

## DEVELOPMENTS THIS WEEK

### Friends of Fulton Say He Will Gain Several Votes.

Portland, Jan. 24.—The Oregon senatorial situation remains unchanged, although interesting developments are looked for early next week. Most of the legislators are spending the usual Sunday recess in this city. Fulton's friends say that he will gain several votes next week.

## STREET RAILWAYS COST MONEY.

New York, Jan. 24.—The Metropolitan Street Railway company has announced that during the present year \$4,500,000 will be expended for improvements, mainly in the way of equipping old lines with the electric underground system. Work will be begun in March.

## ALL VOTED FOR TELLER

### Colorado Democrats Finally Get Together and Name Him for United States Senator.

## HIS ELECTION IS QUESTIONED

### Republicans Do Not Concede It Legality—Ankeny Men Are Hopeful for His Early Election.

Denver, Jan. 24.—At 5 o'clock this afternoon the democratic members of the senate and house cast their ballots, 51 in number, for Henry M. Teller to succeed himself as United States senator and he was declared elected by President W. H. Adams.

Since Monday morning the democratic branch of the senate had been in practically continuous session, and since Wednesday at noon the joint session of the democratic members of both houses had been continuous.

From yesterday morning all the democrats were ready to cast their ballots for Teller except Representative M. J. Madden of Denver. The absence of Madden was unaccounted for until this afternoon, when it was learned that he was at home, ill, and had been forbidden to leave the house by his physician. In spite of his condition, however, he decided to attend this evening, and at the hour named cast his vote for Teller. There were no republican members of either house present, and the legality of the election is not admitted by the republican leaders.

While the election of Senator Teller by the democratic portion of the general assembly has removed one element of uncertainty from the situation, it has not cleared the atmosphere. The election is declared illegal by the republican leaders and the dual senates are still maintained.

## ANKENY MEN CONFIDENT.

### Think Anti-Caucus Sentiment Will Die Before Another Week.

Olympia, Jan. 24.—The legislature took a ballot for United States senator today, the eighth in number, and it resulted as follows:

Ankeny	54
Preston	42
Wilson	9
Turner (dem.)	2
Allen	6
Absent and paired	3

The result shows no change over yesterday.

There is no likelihood of an election without the aid of a caucus, and while the King county delegation has blocked such a move by its action yesterday in signing the anti-caucus call in connection with the anti-railroad members the Ankeny men insist that the deadlock will not last longer than a week.

## NO CHANGE IN DELAWARE.

Dover, Jan. 24.—The ballot for United States senator today was perfunctory, only half a dozen members being present.

## CALLED ON PRESIDENT.

Washington, Jan. 24.—J. Edward Addicks, one of the candidates for United States senator in Delaware, called upon the president today.

## HEAVENS!

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Carter H. Harrison today announced his candidacy for a fourth term as mayor of Chicago.

## COMMISSION MAKES PROGRESS

### Individual Coal Operators to Present Their Witnesses Next.

Philadelphia, Jan. 24.—The anthracite coal strike commission today concluded its examination of the witnesses called by the independent operators of the upper coal fields. Beginning Monday the individual operators of the middle region will present their evidence.

Among the latter is G. B. Markle & Co., in the presentation of whose case there is much interest because of the attacks made by striking miners against that company in their testimony before the commission at Scranton.

## NEW YORK TERMINAL.

### Pennsylvania Railroad's Facilities to Be on Huge Scale.

Philadelphia, Jan. 24.—Plans covering the arrangement of tracks in the Pennsylvania railroad New York terminal and also for the handling of passengers and baggage in the great station have been fully worked out. The main station will be between Seventh and Eighth avenues, where there will be 25 tracks, arranged in pairs, with

## WILL SOON BE SETTLED

### Satisfactory Adjustment of Venezuelan Controversy Now in Sight, Says Bowen.

## NO PREFERRED CREDITORS

### Venezuela Will Resist to the Utmost the Contentions of the Blockading Powers, It Is Reported.

Washington, Jan. 24.—At midnight Minister Bowen gave out the following statement:

"I have good reason to believe that the present controversy between the allied powers and Venezuela will be settled soon, and satisfactorily."

Mr. Bowen said he was able to make this positive statement after a number of conferences held during the day and evening with representatives of the allied powers. He expressed gratification over the prospects of a speedy settlement of the difficulty. He had nothing to say as to whether or not the assurances he has received include an immediate removal of the blockade.

## VENEZUELA WILL RESIST

### Refuses to Accede to the Demands of the Blockading Powers.

Washington, Jan. 24.—From a trustworthy source it is learned tonight that Venezuela's attitude with respect to the claimants is that there shall be no preferred creditors. The contention of the blockading powers that their claims shall be adjusted first, it is declared on authority, will be resisted to the utmost.

It has taken three years to obtain the consent of the British and Canadian governments to adjust the boundary dispute on this basis. It is understood that the treaty has been drawn up after a consultation with the leading members of the senate of both political parties. The administration desires to do everything possible in advance to secure ratification.

## WIRELESS SYSTEM FOR YACHTS.

New York, Jan. 24.—Within a short time wireless telegraph stations will be erected at Newport and various points along the north shore of Long Island, primarily for the use of yachts, which at an expense of less than \$200 each, can be equipped with sending and receiving apparatus capable of service from 20 to 30 miles.

## BOMBARDMENT IS OVER.

Maracaibo, Venezuela, January 23.—(Friday)—A boat with a representative of the Associated Press on board, which was sent from here yesterday to Fort San Carlos, returned to Maracaibo this morning bringing news that the German warships had not shelled the fort since Thursday night.

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